

**APPROPRIATIONS—VETERANS AFFAIRS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, after receiving testimony from Anthony J. Principi, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, who was accompanied by several of his associates.

**INDIVIDUAL FISHING QUOTA**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Oceans and Fisheries concluded hearings on S. 637, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to authorize the establishment of individual fishery quota systems, after receiving testimony from Patten D. White, Maine Lobstermen's Association, Inc., York; Joseph T. Plesha, Trident Seafoods Corporation, and Don Giles, Icicle Seafoods, Inc., both of Seattle, Washington; Harlan Kay Williams, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, Tampa, Florida; Linda Behnken, Alaska Longline Fishermen's Association, Sitka; Lee R. Crockett, Marine Fish Conservation Network, Washington, D.C.; Jon Sutinen, University of Rhode Island Department of Environmental and Natural Resource Economics, Kingston; and Michael K. Orbach, Duke University Nicholas School of the Environment and Earth Sciences, Beaufort, North Carolina.

**HUMAN CLONING**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space held hearings to examine the scientific, ethical, moral, and social concerns of human cloning, including a proposal to prohibit the cloning of human embryos, receiving testimony from Representative Weldon; Clarke D. Forsythe, Americans United for Life, and Leon R. Kass, University of Chicago Committee on Social Thought, both of Chicago, Illinois; Rudolf Jaenisch, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Whitehead Institute, Cambridge, on behalf of the American Society For Cell Biology; and Margaret Colin, Feminists for Life, William Kristol, The Bioethics Project, Robert A. Best, Culture of Life Foundation, Richard M. Doerflinger, National Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee for Pro-Life Activities, Carl B. Feldbaum, Biotechnology Industry Organization, and Jaydee Hanson, United Methodist Church, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

**GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE**

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the science of global climate change and issues related to the timing, options and obstacles of reducing net greenhouse gas emissions, after receiving testimony from Kevin E. Trenberth, Head, Climate Analysis Section, National Center for Atmospheric Research, National Science Foundation; Marilyn A. Brown, Director, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Program, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, and Jamee Edmonds, Senior Staff Scientist, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, both of the Department of Energy; Richard S. Lindzen, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge; John R. Christy, University of Alabama Earth System Science Center, Huntsville; Rattan Lal, Ohio State University Carbon Management and Sequestration Program, Columbus; and James E. Rogers, Cinergy Corporation, Cincinnati, Ohio.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Charles A. James, Jr. and Daniel J. Bryant, both of Virginia, each to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, after the nominees, who were introduced by Senators Warner, Allen, and Biden, and Representatives Hyde and Conyers, testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

**TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT IMPLEMENTATION**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition concluded hearings on the state of local telephone competition five years after the implementation of the 1996 Telecommunications Act, and the potential need for additional legislation to provide a different balance between the incumbent and competitive providers of local telephone service, after receiving testimony from Patrick Henry Wood III, Public Utility Commission of Texas, Austin; Reed E. Hundt, McKinsey and Company, Inc., Washington, D.C.; David Dorman, AT&T Corporation, Basking Ridge, New Jersey; James O. Robbins, Cox Communications, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia; Larissa Herda, Time Warner Telecom, Inc., Littleton, Colorado; and James D. Ellis, SBC Telecommunications, Inc., San Antonio, Texas.

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Guest Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Archbishop Michael J. Champion, Coadjutor to the Primate and Archbishop of Cleveland Ukrainian Autocephalous Orthodox Church in the United States. **Page H1735**

**Journal:** Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Tuesday, May 1 by a recorded vote of 377 ayes to 47 noes with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 93. **Pages H1735, H1747–48**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 9:07 a.m. and reconvened at 10:46 p.m. **Pages H1735, H1744**

**The United States Association of Former Members of Congress:** Agreed that the proceedings of the United States Association of Former Members of Congress had during the recess be printed in the Congressional Record and that all Members and former Members who spoke during the recess have the privilege of revising and extending their remarks. **Page H1744**

**Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform:** The House passed H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 407 yeas to 24 nays, Roll No. 96. **Pages H1748–H1827**

Rejected the Sanders motion to recommit the bill to the Committees on Education and the Workforce and Ways and Means with instructions to report it back with an amendment that sought to allow employees to choose between defined benefit and cash balance pension plans by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 153 yeas to 276 nays, Roll No. 95. **Pages H1822–26**

Pursuant to the rule the Thomas amendment in the nature of a substitute numbered 1 and printed in the Congressional Record of May 1 was considered as adopted. **Page H1764**

Rejected the Neal amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to provide refundable tax credits to low and middle-income workers and make small employers eligible for certain tax credits by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 207 yeas to 223 nays, Roll No. 94. **Pages H1795–H1822**

H. Res. 127, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 404 yeas to 24 nays, Roll No. 92. **Pages H1745–47**

**Committee Election:** The House agreed to H. Res. 129 electing Representative George Miller of California to the Committee on Resources and Representative Honda of California to the Committee on Science. **Page H1827**

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted the District of Columbia Courts Budget Submission for fiscal year 2002—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 107–63). **Page H1827**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four ye-a-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1747, H1747–48, H1822, H1826, and H1827. There were no quorum calls.

**Recess:** House recessed at 8:25 p.m. subject to the call of the Chair. **Page H1855**

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12:30 p.m. and recessed at 11:39 p.m..

## *Committee Meetings*

### FEDERAL FARM COMMODITY PROGRAMS

*Committee on Agriculture:* Continued hearings on Federal Farm Commodity Programs, with the fruit, vegetable, and honey industries. Testimony was heard from L. John Milam, Chairman, Sioux Honey Association; and Tom Stenzel, President and CEO, United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

### ENERGY SUPPLY AFFECTING AGRICULTURAL SECTOR

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development and Research held a hearing to review energy supply and demand issues affecting the agricultural sector of the U.S. economy. Testimony was heard from Keith Collins, Chief Economist, USDA; Mark Rodekohr, Director, Energy Markets and Contingency Information Division, Office of Energy Markets and End Use, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

### AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND FDA APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Food and Nutrition Service. Testimony was heard from George Braley, Acting Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

### COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary held a hearing on